



Our Lady of Compassion Formby

School Lane, Formby, L37 3LW

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St. Jerome Chapel of Ease

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29th May 2022 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

Sundays Year C, Weekdays Cycle 2, psalter week 3

Parish Priest: Rev. Mgr. John M Walsh.

Deacons: Rev. J P Moreland and Rev. J A McCarthy

Gild Hall: Manager - Eileen Sheridan - 01704 872279, 07970 720967

Day	Time	Mass Times Location	Intentions
Saturday 28 th May	6:00pm	St Jerome, Greenloons Drive	John Crank
Sunday 29 th May	9:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Special Intention
	11:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Parish Community
Tuesday 31 st May	09:30am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Dorothy Fraser
Wednesday 1 st June	09:30am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Florence Higenbottom
Thursday 2 nd June	09:30am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	June Hendrik's Family
Pentecost			
Saturday 4 th June	6:00pm	St Jerome, Greenloons Drive	Patricia Heyworth
Sunday 5 th June	9:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Parish Community
	11:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Holy Souls

Please respect your fellow parishioners and allow space.

Please pray for the lately Dead, including Albert FAULKNER and Katherine (Kate) LAMB and for all of their families.

And let us pray for those who are sick including Maureen MURPHY, Peter WEBSTER, Catherine LAMB, Charles MILLS, Teresa CAMPBELL, Mike THOMPSON, Eddy CONNOLLY, Alison BOTTERILL, Stephanie HARRISON, Ellen l'ANSON, Jim McAULEY, Ann LONG and Ged CUNNINGHAM

Thoughts of Pope Francis:- To serve the Gospel and our brothers and sisters, to offer our lives without expecting anything in return, any worldly glory: this is a secret and it is our calling.

Baptism:- Harper YOUD, Stanley ASHWORTH, Edward KERRIGAN and Vincent and Joseph GILSENAN became one with Christ and Christ one with them these last week. We welcome them to our church and I ask that you pray for them and their families.

If any parishioner needs Father John for any reason whatsoever, particularly if someone is **sick or dying** and needs **Sacraments**, please call **07783354250**. If the phone is not answered, please leave a **clear message** indicating your **name, the reason** for your call and a **contact number**. If no message is left, then Father John does not know that you have called. You can also call the **parish office on 01704873230** again leaving name, contact number and reason for call. The answering machine is checked every day. Also, you can use the parish email:-
ourladyofcompassionformby@rcaol.org.uk

Parish Notices

Confirmations 2022:- On Wednesday 20th July, the Archbishop will visit the Deanery to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. The celebration will take place at St. John Stone Church at 7:30pm. All those who have indicated that they wish to receive the Sacrament have been contacted by email. If you have not received an email, please let us know.

There will be three preparation sessions which candidates are asked to attend. They are as follows; Wednesday 29th June, Wednesday 6th July, Wednesday 13th July.

All sessions take place at St. John Stone Church at 7:30pm. All candidates will receive a separate email from St. John Stone to confirm.

Pentecost and Public Holiday Parish Lunch:- On Sunday, June 5th, Pentecost Sunday, at 1.00pm, there will be a celebratory lunch for the Parish in the Gild Hall. The doors will open at 12.30pm. The lunch will be a cold buffet and is offered with no charge. The bar will be open, but drinks will have to be paid for. ALL members of our Formby Catholic community are warmly invited. It will be a lovely opportunity to come together and spend some time with each other.

Celebrations:- On **Saturday, June 18th** we will celebrate Father Higham's 60th anniversary of Priestly Ordination. We will also celebrate Fr. John Harris' 50th Anniversary and the 40th anniversary of Father Bradley's Ordinations. There will be a **Jubilee Mass at 12 Noon**, celebrated by Bishop Tom Williams who will have celebrated his Golden Jubilee a couple of weeks earlier. This will be followed by a reception in the Rectory garden. More details nearer the time.

Good news! We will be starting '**Sunday brunch together**' very soon. As numbers in church have been increasing over the last few months we want to encourage all parishioners to join together for refreshments and a natter. We hope this will give you the opportunity to catch up with previous parishioner friends as well as meeting new ones. Sunday brunch together will be at The Gild Hall every Sunday from 12th June from 12 noon. Tea, coffee, juice and bacon butties will be served. **If you would be able to volunteer please contact Andrea Dell on 07342692957 Or email familydell@hotmail.co.uk** We hope to organise a rota as soon as possible.

The 'Chatterly' in the Gild Hall lounges will be open once again on **Wednesday from 2.pm to 3.30pm**. This week Ruth Purcell from Herbert House will give a short talk about the 10 years she spent working on Mill Hill Missionaries in Kenya. Please do come along with family and friends for a catch up and tea and coffee.

LGBTQ+ Gathering and Mass:- The next gathering for our LGBTQ+ family will be at All Saints, Anfield L4 1QC on Sunday 3rd July 2022 beginning with Mass at 2:00pm. All are welcome.

See All Things New: An Online Retreat for Young Adults in their 20s and 30s July 27, 2022

St Beuno's Jesuit Spirituality Centre in North Wales invites you to set out on a journey with them, to see your life with new eyes, and to consider how your life may be transformed. Once upon a time a young man began a journey that would transform him from soldier into a saint. What led him to set out on this journey? What did he experience along the way? How can you learn from these experiences in your life? As part of this retreat (offered online, or residentially at St Beuno's Jesuit Spirituality Centre in North Wales) we will offer you material each day for your own personal prayer and reflection, as well as opportunities to encounter others, share your reflections and listen to their stories. You will have the opportunity to speak to a spiritual guide who can help you navigate your own faith journey. We'd love young adults in their 20s and 30s who are based in the UK and Ireland to come and join us to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the conversion of St Ignatius of Loyola!

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY: Pope Francis has chosen the single word, “Listen!” as the theme for the 56th World Communications Day, which will be celebrated in 2022. Announcing next year’s theme, the Holy See says, “Pope Francis is asking the world to listen again.” After the Message of 2021, which focused on going and seeing, in his new Message for World Communications Day 2022 Pope Francis asks the world of communication to learn to listen again. The pandemic has affected and wounded everyone, and everyone needs to be heard and comforted. Listening is also fundamental for good information. The search for truth begins with listening. And so does witnessing through the means of social communication. Every dialogue, every relationship begins with listening. For this reason, in order to grow, even professionally, as communicators, we need to relearn to listen a lot. **Jesus himself asks us to pay attention to how we listen (cf. Lk 8:18). To be able to truly listen requires courage, and a free and open heart, without prejudice.** At this time when the whole Church is invited to listen in order to learn to be a synodal Church, we are all invited to rediscover listening as essential for good communication.

Our Ladys Fellwalkers are walking this month from Whaley Bridge, a village known as the gateway to the Goyt Valley, in Derbyshire and located at the head of the Peak Forest Canal. We have two levels of walk, the A walk being a faster, higher slower walk and the B, a lower slower one. On 11th June 2022, the A walk is approximately 10.3 miles with a 1700 ft ascent. We will leave Whaley Bridge walking past the Toddbrook reservoir, leaks from which caused the town to be evacuated in 2019. From there we walk over to the village of Taxal and then climb up to Taxal Edge - the path along the edge has good views over to Bollington and the Goyt Valley. We continue on Foxlowe Edge and then return to Whaley Bridge walking alongside the Errwood and Fernilee Reservoirs. There are good paths throughout and very few stiles. The B Walk is approximately 7.5 miles & 1000ft ascent, made up by a number of small climbs. The walk starts by dropping down onto a tree lined path next to the River Goyt. We walk upstream for about 2 miles on firm paths or service roads and alongside Fernilee reservoir. At the top of the reservoir, we turn and head back towards Whaley bridge. The path becomes hillier with a number of short climbs. Towards the end of the walk a kind farmer has ploughed the path, so there may be a little mud at that point. The walk finishes past Toddbrook Reservoir, this is the one they are trying to repair after the flooding the other year. There are no stiles to speak and the views down the valley are really beautiful.

We are a friendly group and everyone is welcome, including non-walking partners who would like to visit our destination whilst their other half enjoys the walk. The coach leaves from the corner of School Lane and Church Road, Formby, at 8 a.m on the second Saturday of each month and you can book your place by ringing 01704 878548. There is always a stop for coffee/tea/bacon barm etc., on the way out and time after the walk to visit local cafes, shops and pubs. Please wear weather appropriate clothing and boots and bring a packed lunch. Sticks are also handy if you have them.